Madison Avenue Form District

Advisory Committee Meeting #2 September 25, 2007



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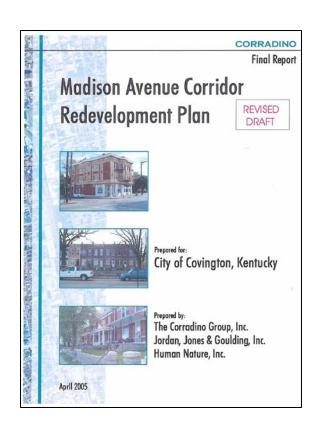
Agenda



- Introductions
- Redevelopment Plan Summary
 - Q&A
- Streetscape alternatives for south section
 - TANK issue
- Next steps
 - Visual preference survey
 - Next meeting

Redevelopment Plan - Summary

- Introduction
- Existing Conditions
- Redevelopment Concepts
- TransportationConcepts
- Implementation



Introduction – Purpose of the plan

- Improve economic conditions by making the corridor more attractive for business and an environment friendly to development
- Improve residential opportunities
- Build upon its strengths Cathedral, churches, historic housing stock
- Provide transportation improvements to increase safety, improve pedestrian connectivity and a greater focus on public transportation
- Allow for continued public participation in the development of the corridor.

Compliance with KRS 99.330

■ Redevelopment:

- May include acquisition or assemblage of real property, demolition and clearance of structures, rehabilitation of structures, redevelopment/adaptive reuse of properties, new construction of properties, historic preservation, and installation of public improvements.
- Public participation 3 public meetings, 3
 Steering Committee meetings

Demographics

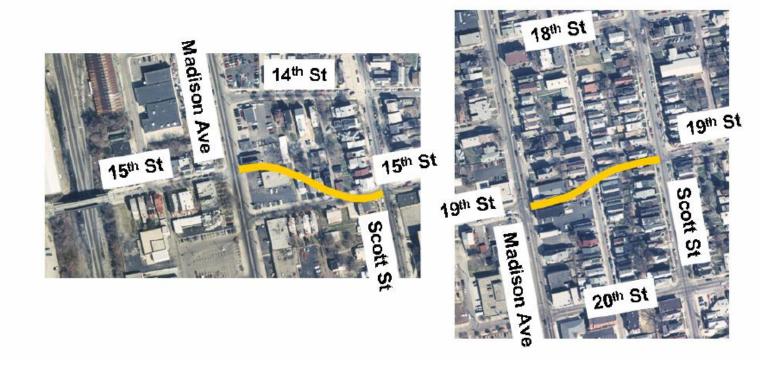
- Approx 6,500 pop within census tracts which surround the corridor
- □ 24% under 18 yrs, 9% over 65 yrs.
- Unemployment rate 9.5% higher than city, county or state
- 15% vacancy rate higher than city, county or state
- 62% rental occupancy
- More households with no vehicles avail.

Transportation issues

- Redirecting traffic from Scott and Greenup to Madison Avenue and reverting existing one-way pair to function as neighborhood streets.
- Insufficient parking available for residents.
- License plate survey found that nearly 50% of all motorists are driving through and not stopping on Madison Ave.
- High occurrence of vehicle crashes over a 3 yr period

Transportation issues – con't

- Improve east-west connectivity between Madison Ave and adjacent neighborhoods
 - Realignment of 15th Street into one intersection
 - Connection of 19th Street from Madison Avenue to Scott Street



Building and Structural Conditions

Category	# of properties	% of Total
Adequate	71	36%
Minor violation	18	9%
Major violation	66	34%
No information	40	21%
Total	195	100%

Redevelopment concepts

- Corridor is a transition area between intense urban downtown and less dense, suburban (strip type) development
- Plan proposed to build on the strengths of the corridor and feature a mix of uses that function and compliment eachother.
- Adjacent neighborhoods provide the density that could support a vital, thriving street and place.
- Attract professionals seeking to live near work and enjoy urban amenities.

Redevelopment concepts – con't

Cathedral Basilica – a major attraction



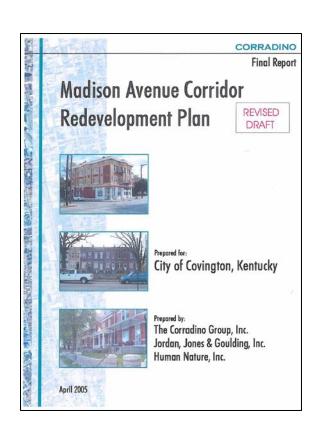
Variety of other uses and steady volume of traffic passing through

BUT

Corridor lacks businesses, restaurants, shops, etc that draw people + a theme and cohesiveness to make the corridor a destination in the city

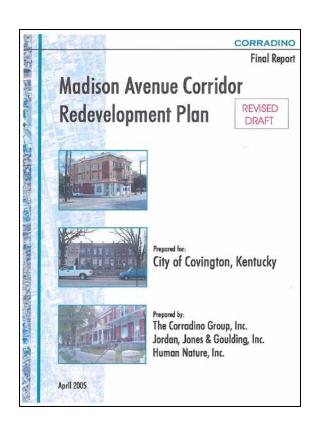
Redevelopment Plan - Action Steps

- Place buildings close to the street
- Mixed uses with retail on the ground floor and office or residential above
- Ensure adequate supply of on and off-street parking (to the side or rear)
- Sidewalks and streetscape elements consistent with the City's Book of Streetscape Standards, specialty paving where appropriate to add visual interest



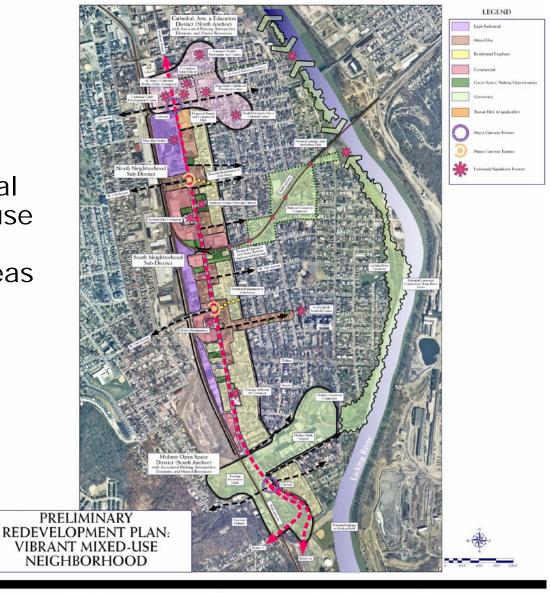
Redevelopment Plan - Action Steps

- On-street parking where viable and scattered "green" parking areas along the corridor
- Street furniture, trash bins, landscaping which are distinctive and consistent and provide a pleasing pedestrian experience
- Take into account the relationship of the design with public transit service
- Public parks, squares and buildings and religious places as cultural gathering places



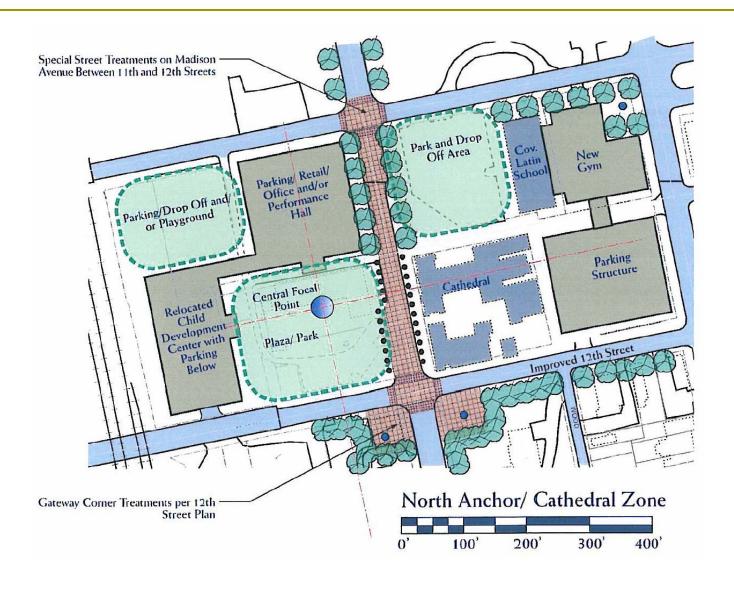
Land Use Recommendations

Preferred Concept D: Integrated Commercial Districts with mixed-use redevelopment of the corridor, including areas w/ light industrial, commercial and residential emphasis

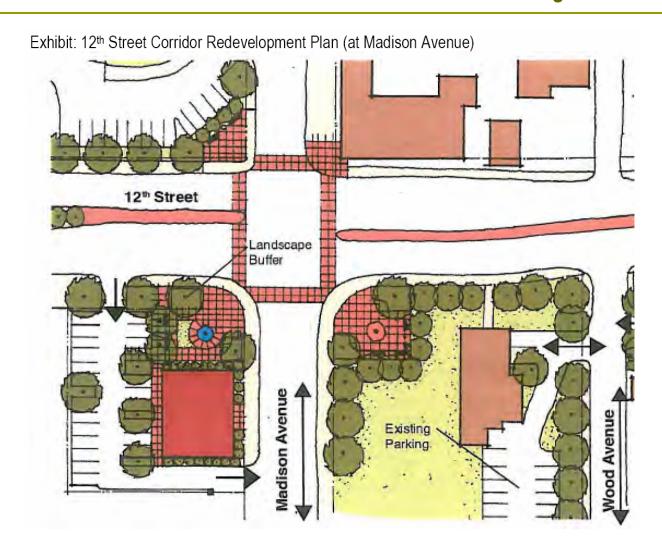


Madison Avenue Corridor Redevelopment Plan

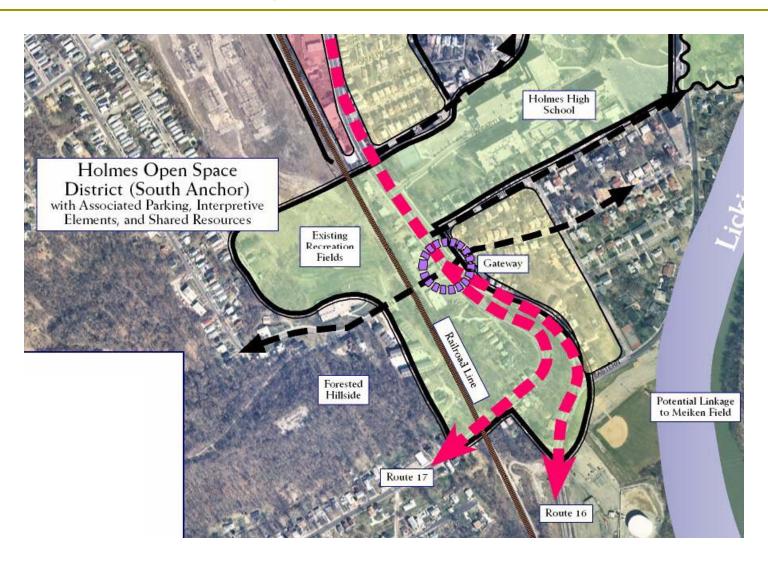
Cathedral "North Gateway"



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Holmes Campus - "South Gateway"



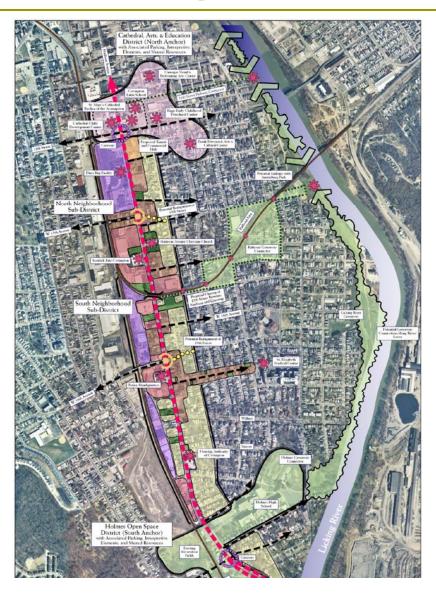
TANK Service/SuperStop

 A clean, attractive and permanent shelter/waiting area

- Seating
- Trash receptacle
- Improved signage
- Improved passenger information (maps, schedules, contact information, etc.)
- Lighting (if not currently available on-street)



Eastside Licking River Greenway



Implementation

- Property acquisition (public or private)
 - Phase I
 - Phase II
- Design Overlay Zone
- Identify opportunities for additional midblock parking on landscaped lots
- Streetscape improvements

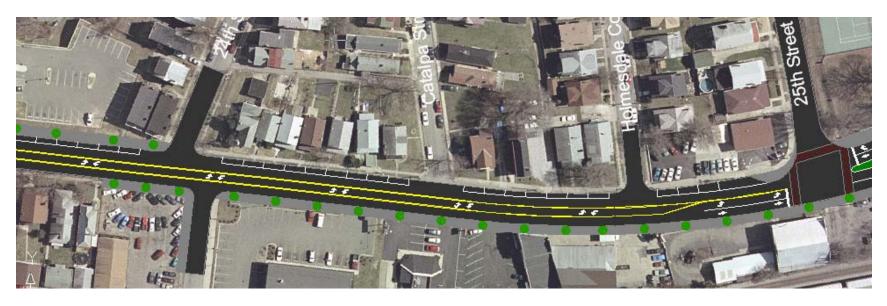
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Transportation Issues

- High Levels of Pedestrian Activity in front of Holmes H.S. and 25th St. Bus Stop
- Bus Blockages on Madison Ave.
- Access to adjacent properties via alleys
- Narrow Roadway at Curve north of 25th St.
- 3-lane 4-Lane cross section south of 19th Street

South Cross Section









Traffic Operations

Traffic Operation Analysis				
Intersection	4-Lane Alternative		3-Lane Alternative	
	LOS	Delay (sec)	LOS	Delay (sec)
19th St. at Madison Ave.	A (A)	5.7 (6.0)	A (B)	7.1 (11.6)
20th St. at Madison Ave.	A (C)	5.7 (23.1)	A (C)	9.4 (26.7)
Wallace Ave. at Madison Ave.	A (A)	1.3 (2.6)	A (A)	3.6 (3.5)
25th St. at Madison Ave.	A (A)	0.8 (0.9)	A (A)	2.8 (7.8)
26th St. at KY 16 / KY 17	C (B)	21.3 (19.7)	D (C)	50.8 (26.0)
Notes: XX (YY) = AM Peak (I				

On-Street Parking

Madison Avenue On-Street Parking (Spaces)					
Block	4-Lane Alternative		3-Lane Alternative		
	West Side	East Side	West Side	East Side	
19th St. to 20th St.		8 spaces		8 spaces	
20th St. to Wallace Ave.	10 spaces	10 spaces		10 spaces	
Wallace Ave. to Sterret Ave.	20 spaces	20 spaces		20 spaces	
Sterret Ave. to 24th St.	11 spaces	11 spaces		11 spaces	
24th St. to 25th Street				19 spaces	
Total	90 spaces		68 spaces		